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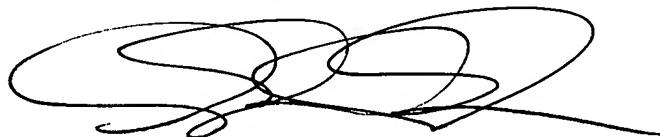
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REMARKS

Applicants elect the species of "annealing a first and second material to form island(s)" without traverse. Applicants submits that claims 1-17 and 27-31 are currently directed to this species. Applicants submit that at least claim 27 is a generic claim in that it requires thermally anneal at least one material to form a first island and a second island of mixed material. The at least one material may encompasses a first material and a second material.

Applicants request examination on the merits. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below, if needed.

Respectfully submitted,



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